**General IRG Goal:** *Facilitating the design and use of research to improve estimation and reporting of reduced GHG emissions and/or intensity for actions for Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC’s )*

**Day 1: January 17th – Introductions and Current Status**

*1:30 – 5:30 pm (preceded by Farm to Regional Modelling Network workshop, F2R Modelling members welcome)*

* Introductions, *Tour de table*
* Update on GRA

* Overview of the IRG – Jean-François, Brian, and Robyn (co-chairs)
* Report on the 2017 IRG expectation Stocktake - Brian
* Overview of the Soil C sequestration (SCS) and Inventories Flagships
* Network presentations:
	+ Field-scale C&N
	+ Farm to regional modelling
	+ Soil C sequestration
	+ Inventories
	+ Grasslands
* Country reports on contributions to IRG, Networks, and SCS and Inventories Flagships

***Purpose***: providing context, sharing information,

**Day 2: January 18th - Developing broader collaborative opportunities**

*9:00 am – 12:30 pm*

* Country reports on their NDCs: role of agriculture, MRV, further steps; knowledge gaps; research needs.
* Discussion: What can the IRG do to reduce knowledge gaps and assist countries to improve estimation and reporting of reduced GHG emissions for actions under their NDC
* Some Suggested Topics:
	+ Communication from the IRG: brochures, web page, etc.
	+ How to help convince policy makers to make research investments to support their NDC
	+ Undertaking stocktake on knowledge and capacity gaps
	+ Other?

**Day 2: January 18th 13:30-16:30**

* Streamlining IRG structure in the context of Flagship development
	+ Networks have ongoing role to identify needs of GRA, aid information sharing within the GRA community, and facilitate research collaborations
	+ Flagships should deliver to specific projects supported by the GRA community
	+ IRG includes two Flagships (SCS and Inventories)
	+ Proposal:
		- The Soil C network priority for research collaboration is to further projects within the SCS Flagship
		- The Inventory Network priority for research collaboration is to further projects within the Inventory Flagship
		- The Grassland Network dissolves (no longer exists) and passes its soil C related interests to the Carbon Sequestration Network and its integrated livestock-soil GHG interests to the Farm to Regional Scale network.
* What or who is missing from IRG?
* Discussion of mechanisms for coordination within IRG, frequency and types of meeting, calls, webinars, etc.
* Review of action items from the meeting.
* Adjourn

**Logistics**

* IRG Meeting participants to book their own travel.